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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR No. 09-003 MO

Plaintiff,

v.

**PETITION TO ENTER PLEA
OF GUILTY, CERTIFICATE
OF COUNSEL, AND ORDER**

SYRUS ANDREW SAMPSON,

Defendant.

The defendant represents to the court:

1. My name is Syrus Andrew Sampson. I am 19 years old. I have gone to school up to and including 10TH GRADE
2. My attorney is Assistant Federal Public Defender Patrick J. Ehlers.
3. My attorney and I have discussed my case fully. I have received a copy of the Indictment. I have read the Indictment, or it has been read to me, and I have discussed it with my attorney. My attorney has counseled and advised me concerning the nature of each charge, any

lesser-included offense(s), and the possible defenses that I might have in this case. I have been advised and understand that the elements of the charge(s) alleged against me to which I am pleading "GUILTY" are as follows: Assault resulting in serious bodily injury in violation of 18 U.S.C. §113(a)(6). I have had a full and adequate opportunity to disclose to my attorney all facts known to me that relate to my case. I understand that the Court may ask whether I am satisfied with the advice I have received from my attorney.

4. I know that if I plead "GUILTY," I will have to answer any questions that the judge asks me about the offense(s) to which I am pleading guilty. I also know that if I answer falsely, under oath, and in the presence of my attorney, my answers could be used against me in a prosecution for perjury or false statement.

5. I am not under the influence of alcohol or drugs. I am not suffering from any injury, illness or disability affecting my thinking or my ability to reason. I have not taken any drugs or medications within the past seven (7) days.

6. I understand that conviction of a crime can result in consequences in addition to imprisonment. Such consequences include deportation, or removal from the United States, or denial of naturalization, if I am not a United States citizen; loss of eligibility to receive federal benefits; loss of certain civil rights (which may be temporary or permanent depending on applicable state or federal law), such as the right to vote, to hold public office, and to possess a firearm; and loss of the privilege to engage in certain occupations licensed by the state or federal government.

7. I know that I may plead "NOT GUILTY" to any crime charged against me and that I may persist in that plea if it has already been made. I know that if I plead "NOT GUILTY" the Constitution guarantees me:

- a. The right to a speedy and public trial by jury, during which I will be presumed to be innocent unless and until I am proven guilty by the government beyond a reasonable doubt and by the unanimous vote of twelve jurors;
- b. The right to have the assistance of an attorney at all stages of the proceedings;
- c. The right to use the power and process of the court to compel the production of evidence, including the attendance of witnesses in my favor;
- d. The right to see, hear, confront, and cross-examine all witnesses called to testify against me;
- e. The right to decide for myself whether to take the witness stand and testify, and if I decide not to take the witness stand, I understand that no inference of guilt may be drawn from this decision; and
- f. The right not to be compelled to incriminate myself.

8. I know that if I plead "GUILTY" there will be no trial before either a judge or a jury, and that I will not be able to appeal from the judge's denial of any pretrial motions I may have filed concerning matters or issues not related to the court's jurisdiction.

9. In this case I am pleading "GUILTY" under Rule 11(c)(1)(B). My attorney has explained the effect of my plea as follows:

My plea of guilty is under Rule 11(c)(1)(B); therefore, although the judge will consider the recommendations and agreements of both the prosecution and defense attorneys concerning sentencing, the judge is not obligated to follow those recommendations or agreements. If the judge imposes a sentence different from what I expected to receive under the terms of my Plea Agreement with the prosecutor, I do not have a right to withdraw my plea.

10. I know the maximum sentence which can be imposed upon me for the crime to which I am pleading guilty is 10 years' imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

11. I know that the judge, in addition to any other penalty, will order a special assessment as provided by law in the amount of \$100.

12. My attorney has discussed with me sentencing under federal law. I know that the judge will consider sentencing factors under 18 U.S.C § 3553(a) in determining a proper sentence, including; the nature and circumstances of the offense and my history and characteristics; the need for the sentence to reflect the seriousness of the offense, promote respect for the law, provide just punishment, afford adequate deterrence to criminal conduct, protect the public from further crime by me, and provide me with needed educational or vocational training, medical care, or other correctional treatment in the most effective manner; the kinds of sentences available; the advisory United States Sentencing Guidelines and policy statements; the need to avoid unwarranted sentencing disparities among defendants; and, the need to provide restitution to any victims. I know that the judge may not impose a sentence greater than the maximum sentence referred to in paragraph (10) above.

13. I know from discussion with my attorney that if I am sentenced to prison I am not entitled to parole. I will have to serve the full sentence imposed except for any credit for good behavior that I earn. I can earn credit for good behavior in prison at a rate of up to 54 days for each year of imprisonment served. Credit for good behavior does not apply to a sentence of one year or less.

14. I know that if I am sentenced to prison, the judge will impose a term of supervised release to follow the prison sentence. During my supervised release term I will be supervised by a probation officer according to terms and conditions set by the judge. In my case, a term of supervised release can be up to 3 years. If I violate the conditions of supervised release, I may be sent back to prison.

15. I know that in addition to or in lieu of any other penalty, the judge can order restitution payments to any victim of any offense to which I plead guilty. I am also informed that, for certain crimes of violence and crimes involving fraud or deceit, it is mandatory that the judge impose restitution in the full amount of any financial loss or harm caused by an offense. If imposed, the victim can use the order of restitution to obtain a civil judgment lien. A restitution order can be enforced by the United States for up to twenty (20) years from the date of my release from imprisonment, or, if I am not imprisoned, twenty (20) years from the date of the entry of judgment. If I willfully refuse to pay restitution as ordered, a judge may resentence me to any sentence which could originally have been imposed.

16. If I am on probation, parole, or supervised release in any other state or federal case, I know that by pleading guilty in this court my probation, parole or supervised release may be revoked and I may be required to serve time in that case, which may be consecutive, that is, in addition to any sentence imposed on me in this court.

17. If I have another case pending in any state or federal court, I know that my Petition and Plea Agreement in this case do not, in the absence of an express and written agreement, apply to my other case(s), and that I can be faced with consecutive sentences of imprisonment.

18. My plea of "GUILTY" is not the result of force, threat, or intimidation.

19. I hereby request that the judge accept my plea of "GUILTY" to Count 2 of the Indictment.

20. I know that the judge must be satisfied that a crime occurred and that I committed that crime before my plea of "GUILTY" can be accepted. With respect to the charge to which I am pleading guilty, I represent that I did the following acts and that the following facts are true:

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On or about October 25, 2008, on the ~~Warm Springs~~ Indian Reservation in Oregon, I assaulted Jonathan Higheagle, which resulted in serious bodily injury.

21. I offer my plea of "GUILTY" freely and voluntarily and of my own accord and with a full understanding of the allegations set forth in the Indictment, and with a full understanding of the statements set forth in this Petition and in the Certificate of my attorney that is attached to this Petition.

SIGNED by me in the presence of my attorney, after reading (or having had read to me) all of the foregoing pages and paragraphs of this Petition on this 17th day of August, 2009.



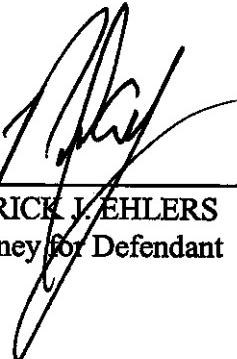
SYRUS ANDREW SAMPSON

CERTIFICATE OF COUNSEL

The undersigned, as attorney for defendant, hereby certifies:

1. I have fully explained to the defendant the allegations contained in the Indictment in this case, any lesser-included offense(s), and the possible defenses which may apply in this case.
2. I have personally examined the attached Petition To Enter Plea of Guilty And Order Entering Plea, explained all its provisions to the defendant, and discussed fully with the defendant all matters described and referred to in the Petition.
3. I have explained to the defendant the maximum penalty and other consequences of entering a plea of guilty described in paragraphs (6)-(20) of the Petition, and I have also explained to the defendant the applicable Federal Sentencing Guidelines.
4. I recommend that the Court accept the defendant's plea of "GUILTY."

SIGNED by me in the presence of the above-named defendant, and after full discussion with the defendant of the contents of the Petition To Enter Plea of Guilty, and any Plea Agreement, on this 17th day of August, 2009.



PATRICK J. EHLERS
Attorney for Defendant

ORDER ENTERING PLEA

I find that the defendant's plea of GUILTY has been made freely and voluntarily and not out of ignorance, fear, inadvertence, or coercion. I further find the defendant has admitted facts that prove each of the necessary elements of the crime(s) to which the defendant has pled guilty.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendant's plea of GUILTY be accepted and entered as requested in this Petition and as recommended in the Certificate of defendant's attorney.

DATED this 17th of August, 2009, in open court.



THE HONORABLE MICHAEL W. MOSMAN
United States District Court Judge